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1. [REDACTED], the following railroad cars were ordered to be made available for the Erfurt district: 120 cars with benches on 30 September; 600 cars with benches, including 75 cars each for Erfurt and Nordhausen and 50 cars each for Weimar and Gotha, on 4 October; 350 boxcars with benches and 200 boxcars for material on 8 October; 1500 flatcars for vehicles; and 77 RR type flatcars for tanks.¹
2. During the last week of September, tanks, armored vehicles, motor cycles, and trucks belonging probably to the 136th Guards Tank and SP Regiment of the 3rd Shock Army returned to the Panzer Kaserne in Burg.
3. On 30 September, troop train [REDACTED] from Jaevenitz was being detrained at Brandenburg. The troops were probably destined for the Flak Kaserne. At noon, another troop train with an AT unit of the 3rd Shock Army was being detrained. The Flak Kaserne seemed to be occupied to capacity.²
4. Two trains which had been made available at Weimar on 19 September departed for Frankfurt/Oder on 27 September. [REDACTED]

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. This information indicates that the bulk of the 8th Guards Army will leave the troop training grounds on about 8 October. In 1951 the troops left only in the second half of October.

2. [REDACTED] Comment. It appears that the 3rd Guards AT Army Artillery Brigade of

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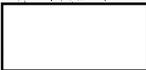
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the 3rd Shock Army, or at least elements of it, returned to their old quarters in late September.

3.  Comment. The information received does not clearly indicate whether the departing trains were empty or loaded. Since the dispatching units are the 70th Guards Mechanized Regiment of the 21st Guards Mechanized Division,  the 117th Guards Rifle Regiment of the 39th Guards Rifle Division,  it is believed that the trains were loaded with troops.

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